

Dear FCC,

The NAB lobbyists are propsoing changes to FCC rules under petition 04-160 that limits the nature of satellite radio broadcasts in local markets.

The NAB appears to be operating under their oft-used approach of lobbying congress to stifle a new and interesting technology, satellite radio, rather than helping to improve the quality, nature, and features of the more traditional radio broadcasting they represent.

When considering the NAB petition, I urge you to keep in mind that America's economy is founded on the free market. If someone like XM or Sirius provides a better service than traditional radio broadcasts, then it is to their advantage and the market will in all likelihood support the better service, and it is up the NAB to help the stations compete with the new broadcast medium provided by satellite radio. I implore you to let the market, let America's free economy, determine what is broadcast over both satellite or open air radio.